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Subject: IDS Submission
Application No. 10/634,978

Dear Sir:

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List of Documents Provided:

- 1) US application 2003/0204082 A1 . This US application claims a foreign priority from an Italian application MI2002A 000913 filed and published on April 29, 2003. A copy of the Italian publication is not provided since it is substantially cumulative
- 2) Copy of reference from DEPATIS database showing a publication date for the Italian patent application.

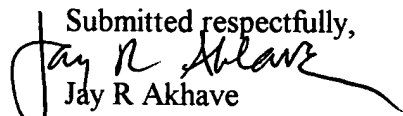
Relevance:

The US patent application 2003/0204082 A1 published on October 30, 2003 relates to "Crystalline form of Cefdinir"; This application reports a crystal with a moisture content of 6.0% that is covered in our patent application and a X-Ray Diffraction Pattern that is concordant with the XRD pattern of our claimed Cefdinir Crystal B. Their method of preparation is however different.

The stated publication date of the priority Italian application is April 29, 2002; this is more than a year before our US filing.

We believe this information is material to 102 patentability for our specific submitted claims 1,2 and 3.

Submitted respectfully,


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